

## President's Message - Scott Mildenberger

Dear colleagues and friends,

I'm writing this as my first correspondence with members as your president and I am both honored and humbled to do so. We are already a couple months into 2018, and it looks like a busy year for council and the various committees that are attached. I want to highlight a few things Council is working on this year for members and some things we've already accomplished:

- We've re-signed Debbie Schatz to a contract extension for the next couple years to be our Executive Director (ED). I was involved with hiring Debbie initially and I have to say how happy I am to have her as the ED; she's smart, conscientious and a hard worker. This will stabilize the position and will be great for the association.
- You may have noticed in prior emails that our office has moved to a new location. We were forced to move because the building we were in wanted the space back but it looks like it turned into a good opportunity as the new space has been locked in for a low lease rate for 7 years. Another advantage of the new location is the opportunity to associate with 3 other regulatory bodies and bounce ideas around,
- Our ED is currently working on a risk management analysis to help council with future planning as we want to make sure the association is on sound footing moving forward. This is a big project and Debbie has been working on it for a while now. She is planning to have it done this year and submitted to council.
- We've created a Governance Committee to advise council on how the role of governance may need to evolve for the association. Our current model is very rigid and may need to be modified to allow us to meet our goals. This committee's main focus will be to work on a strategic plan for the future of the SAMRT.
- We have a conference and AGM coming up on April 14<sup>th</sup>. It will be a joint conference with Saskatchewan Association of Medical Imaging Managers (SAMIM) and Saskatchewan Association of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers (SADMS). We tried this format last year for the conference and it was a resounding success. I invite all my fellow technologists to try to attend the conference and AGM. We have a great line up of speakers, it's a good way to get some CE credits and the AGM is where you get a chance for your voice to be heard. We are having a social event the evening before at Bushwakker's so come on down and have a burger and craft beer with us.
- We are currently pursuing having Diagnostic Medical Sonographers (DMS) join with the SAMRT. Right now DMS are not a self-regulating body and we want to join with them so that we can fill that role. In addition to providing public protection, it would also allow us to increase our membership. We have to submit this proposal to the Saskatchewan Government and they need to give the go ahead for this to happen. We have submitted this for the past few years and it hasn't been approved yet, but we're hoping this is the year that it goes through.

This is just a portion of all the things we are working on as the SAMRT council. As you can see the word future comes up a lot and I think that is a good thing. The main role of the SAMRT is as a regulator and we can't do that properly without being ready for the future. I'm looking forward to all the things we are going to accomplish and I'm very excited to be your president. If you have any questions or concerns with anything council is doing, I encourage you to please bring them to my attention.

With regards,

Scott Mildenberger RTNM CTIC PET/CT

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## We've Moved:

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## 2018 Annual General Meeting and Conference

**April 14, 2018 at 3:30 PM**

The SAMRT 2018 Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Conference will be held in Regina at the Conexus Arts Centre in the Jacqui Shumiatcher Room, 200 Lakeshore Drive Regina, Saskatchewan S4S 7L3.

The AGM will include various committee reports, the audited financial statements and an opportunity for questions.

Your attendance at the Annual General Meeting is requested. Attendees at the AGM earn 1 Continuing Education credit and are eligible for the door prize draw.

## Council Vacancies - Elections

The SAMRT has two Council vacancies for the term January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2021 and two members have agreed to let their names stand. *The SAMRT Administrative Bylaws, 2015* do not have a provision to acclaim the members, therefore according to Roberts Rule of Order, a ballot must be distributed to allow members to register their vote. Members received an eblast ballot on March 26. Official results will be announced at the AGM.

## 2018 Education Conference - April 14, 2018

Together with the Saskatchewan Association of Medical Diagnostic Sonographers (SADMS) and the Saskatchewan Association of Medical Imaging Managers (SAMIM), the SAMRT is pleased to once again present a top quality education day with great presenters, delicious food, and lots of opportunity to network and catch up with colleagues while you earn education credits.

For program details please [click here](#).

To register please [click here](#).

## Conference Social - April 13, 2018

### **Bushwakker Brewpub Tour, Burger & Pint of Beer**

The Conference Committee has organized a fun evening for members in advance of the AGM and Conference. Please register on line using the Conference Registration Link. A limited number of walk up registrations are available.

**Cost: \$25.00 Time: 6PM Arrival, Tour at 6:15PM**

Food orders between 6:45 and 8:00 PM

**Meal - WAKKER Burger** served with your choice of a pint of any of the regular beers on tap.

*Dietary Restriction option:* Chicken Breast or Veggie Burger (must be preordered, not available day of).

Bushwakker Brewing Company, 2206 Dewdney Avenue

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- Promotes pride in the profession and within our ranks.
- Helps members keep abreast of new and emerging technologies.
- Advocates lifelong learning.
- Promotes excellence in patient care.

Over the years, the CAMRT Foundation has sponsored many members in their educational pursuits. Grants are available to members to provide:

- Financial Assistance to individuals enrolled in courses of study related to Medical Radiation Technology;
- Funds for research associated with Medical Radiation Technology

***William Doern – Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship*** is available for community oriented, academically outstanding students attending entry-level medical radiation technology programs.

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